## Jean Jewell

From:

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Sent:

Wednesday, April 20, 2011 2:31 PM

To:

Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness

Subject:

**PUC Comment Form** 

A Comment from Katherine Schmoke follows:

Case Number: PAC-E-11-01 through PAC-E-11-05

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Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power

Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I have previously submitted a comment, but it was not posted; when I called your office, I was instructed to resubmit my comment and am doing so now.

I live within a mile of these proposed projects and want to state that I am clearly in support of these developing wind farms under the PURPA's. The PURPA was developed for clear reasons and purpose and Rocky Mountain Power's purpose in opposing these PURPA's appears to be to promote their own monopoly on power within the state. This is exactly what the PURPA was developed to prevent, as I understand it. It is not healthy for our state for any company to have a monopoly and by supporting these new wind farms, through use of the PURPA's, we are supporting private and smaller businesses on many levels, from the wind developers, to construction contractors and maintenance personnel, as well as the land owners who seem to be having a hard time making a living with cattle ranching these days. In addition, the tax revenue to the community and state will be a big benefit as well.

I hope you will say 'no' to any company holding a monopoly in the industry and support the use of PURPA agreements for the development of these wind projects; the benefits so far outweigh any possible negatives!!!

Sincerely,

Katherine Schmoke

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